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PART 1 -- GENERAL

101. CHANGE OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS. The telephone numbers for Plans Operations and Training (NG-POT) have been changed to 449-2973 and 2974.

PART 2 -- PERSONNEL

201. REQ FOR NOMINATION OF ARNGUS NCO FOR ADT TOUR. a. A RQR exists for qual NCO for assignment as noncommissioned officer education system (NCDES) coordinator, schools branch, DRG & TNG Div, NGB, duty station: Edgewood Arsenal, MD.
- b. The NCO selected will be ordered to ADT under the prov of Sec. 972(D), title 10, USC. The normal tour of duty is two years, unless sooner RSG.
- c. Nominess should be advised that their nomination does not constitute final selection and plans for entry on ADT should not be made until final notification.
- d. Brief Job Description:
- (1) Monitors the ARNG-NCOES for compliance with NGB policy thru evaluation of curriculum, methods of instruction and instructional equipment and materials
  - (2) Maintains liaison with the states and other agencies on matter relating to ARNG-NCDES.
  - (3) Responsible for the enrollment of ARNG enlisted personnel in NCDES conducted by Army Service Schools and reviews participation in Army area schools, USAR schools and unit schools.
  - (4) Monitors the selection process for ARNG personnel desiring to enroll in the Sergeants Major Academy.
  - (5) Participates in necessary conferences, workshops and boards to resolve issues related to enlisted military education programs in which ARNG personnel participate.
- e. It is req that the most qual NCO who meets the prerequisites and who will be aval for DY on or about 11 Dec 78, be nominated to the Chief, NGB, NLT 21 Nov 78.
- f. Prerequisites are:
- (1) E9 or E8.
  - (2) ETS no earlier than 1 Jan 80.
  - (3) Active ARNG NCO not on AD (other than ADT tour) at time of appl.
  - (4) Must possess a comprehensive knowledge of MDS structure and ARNG operations.
  - (5) Grad of Sergeants Major Academy or an ARNG-NCOES course desirable.
  - (6) Type A Med exam must have been completed within one year prior to start of tour.

(7) Secret or higher SCTY CLNC (Mandatory).

g. Each nomination must be accompanied by:

- (1) Compl NGB form 34. Amend item 8 to read mandatory removal date.
- (2) Copy of updated DA form 2-1.
- (3) Copy of SF 88 and 93.
- (4) Recent full length photo of nominee in class A unif at least 3 by 5 in.
- (5) Certificate from state AG concerning fol to be incl in Nomination LTR:
  - (a) SCTY clnc info in item 11, NGB form 34.
  - (b) Mandatory removal date at item 8 of NGB form 34.
  - (c) Approx cred SVC toward 20 years (AD) ret.

h. Req this announcement be given widest possible dissemination.

i. Negative reports are not RQR.

202. OER FOR OFFICERS TRANSFERRED TO THE RETIRED RESERVE. a. Change 2 to AR 623-105, para 4-3G(3), placed a requirement to include on DA form 67-7, officer evaluation report, the mobilization potential of an officer upon retirement and transfer to the retired reserve for any reason on or after 1 Oct 78.

b. When the rated officer is being transferred to the retired reserve and the report is, in fact, the rated officers last report prior to transfer, the rater will indicate in part VI A2, DA form 67-7, the grade and assignment for which the officer should be recalled to active duty in the event of mobilization (E.G., Colonel, installed, DPCA).

203. WEARING OF UNAUTHORIZED ITEMS WITH THE UNIFORM. a. References:

- (1) AR 670-5
- (2) AR 672-5-1
- (3) CTA 50-906

b. DA authorized a limited number of non-standard uniform items for wear by specified individuals and units. However, a seemingly ever-increasing number of unauthorized items are being worn and it is time to reverse this trend. c. Some local commanders have apparently misinterpreted their authority to prescribe the uniforms worn in their units and have authorized for wear non-standard items which have not been approved by HQDA. I recognize that morale and unit esprit are sometimes enhanced by the wearing of distinctive items. However, this benefit comes at the expense of benefits which might accrue from army-wide uniformity. Additionally, in most



cases the wearing of nonstandard items imposes a financial burden on soldiers. Such items may not be purchased with appropriated funds, and, although in theory such items are normally optional, in practice soldiers feel obligated to purchase and wear them. d. To allow time for procurement of authorized nonstandard items and to allow our soldiers some wearout time for unauthorized nonstandard items already purchased, the unauthorized items will be phased out over a period of months. Effective 1 Jan 79, the only nonstandard items authorized for wear will be those listed in references A, B, and C. In the interim, no new nonstandard items will be authorized for wear and soldiers will not purchase items not authorized by the references.

204. TECHNICIAN VACANCIES. a. The following vacancies are announced in the Montana Army National Guard. Refer to Technician Vacancy Announcement posted on unit bulletin boards for details.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Electronic Mechanic Ldr-AASF	Helena, MT	WL-11
Military Personnel Tech-SHHD	Helena, MT	GS-07
Aircraft Prop Mech - AASF	Helena, MT	WG-10

205. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MONTANA ARNG TECHNICIANS ASSIGNMENTS. a. The following technician assignments are announced in the Montana Army National Guard for the month of October.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
MANN, ARTHUR D. Warehouseman	Helena, MT	WG-05
FANDRICH, ABRAHAM L. Aircraft Mech	Helena, MT	WG-11
RASMUSON, RONALD F. Aircraft Mach	Helena, MT	WG-10
LOVE, RAY Fuel Distribution Sys Mech	Helena, MT	WG-08
OSTERMILLER, KAREENE E. Secretary	Helena, MT	GS-05
BRUER, DOROTHY A. Aviation Admin Clerk	Helena, MT	GS-06
BALLARD, MARK D. Admin Supply Tech	Billings, MT	GS-05
NELSON, JEROME D. Admin Aviation Asst	Helena, MT	GS-05

### PART 3 -- OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

301. GAO SURVEY. a. The general accounting office is conducting a survey of reserve training. This survey has been approved by the National Guard Bureau. Request that all members of your organization receiving survey forms be encouraged to respond.

### PART 4 -- SUPPLY

401. DIRECT SHIPMENT OF SMALL ARMS. a. Reference is made to paragraph 401 of AGO Information Bulletin dated 1 September 1977. Some units are not forwarding "DSM" cards to the USPFO for "REGISTERED WEAPON" shipments of small arms. b. Upon receipt of small arms by direct shipment from depots, units must take certain actions to satisfy Small Arms Serialization Program (SASP) requirements. c. Shipping documents (DD Form 1348 series) for direct shipments of small arms from Army depots will be stamped "REGISTERED WEAPON" or "UNREGISTERED WEAPON". The stamp indicates whether the weapon have been registered in SASP or have not been registered in SASP. The stamp is in no way indicative of the mail class "REGISTERED". d. "REGISTERED WEAPON" shipment will include IBM cards with a document identifier code "DSM" in the first three card characters. Units will verify the serial numbers on the "DSM" card against the weapons, enter serial numbers on the shipping documents (either on the face or the reverse) and forward "DSM" cards and one (1) copy of the shipping document to the USPFO. (Do not staple the cards). Should you receive a "REGISTERED WEAPON" shipment without "DSM" cards, attach a note to the shipping document informing the USPFO that no "DSM" cards were received. e. No "DSM" cards will accompany "UNREGISTERED WEAPON" shipments. In this case, clearly enter serial numbers on shipping documents and immediately forward one (1) copy to the USPFO.

402. SLEEPING BAG PRICE CHANGE. a. The current unit price for Sleeping Bag, LIN T71706, NSN 8465-01-033-8057 is \$159.00. Property records and adjustments must reflect this unit price.

403. NEW PUBLICATIONS STANDARD SINGLE ACCOUNT FILE/NUMBER. a. Effective 30 October 1978 all account numbers assigned to authorized users of the U.S. Army Publications Centers (Baltimore, MD or St Louis, MO) will change. A new standard single account file/number (SSAF) has been furnished each authorized user by separate HQDA letter. Reference letter, dated 9 August 1978, Subject: Preparation of Publications Standard Single Account File (RCS: AG-(OT)-802), included each user's new account number plus a validation sheet to be returned to the Baltimore AG Publications Center for processing. b. The new standard single account number can be recognized from previous (Old) account numbers as the new number consists of five (5) positions with the first position always being an alphabetic character (e.g., A2345, C8765, E6976, ect.). c. The new standard single account number will be valid at both publications center (Baltimore and St Louis) and must be used on all requisition (Mailed DA Form 4569 or AUTODIN Transmissions), all initial distribution subscription requirement changes (DA 12 series forms), and all correspondence submitted to the Publications Centers (Baltimore MD, St Louis, MO). All Requisitions and Correspondance will be forwarded through the Publication section,

Department of Military Affairs for processing. All requisitions/ documents received after 30 October 1978 with the old account number will be returned to the sender with out action. Contact the State Publication Section of The Adjutant General Office if you have any questions, Phone 449-2572.

404. GAMMA GOAT BASIC ISSUE ITEM (BII) DISCREPANCY. a. The Wire Rope Assembly listed as a BIIL item on page B-5, TM 9-2320-242-10 is an error. The wire rope is not a Basic Issue Item. b. The wire rope will be deleted in the next change to the TM. Users of this TM are requested to delete item by pen and ink change.

#### PART 5 -- FISCAL AND TRANSPORTATION

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#### PART 6 -- MAINTENANCE

601. TUBE ASSY FOR TRUCK GGO M561. a. Stock number 4710-00-253-1373 for the above subject item. Listed in TM-9-2320-242-20p is in error and is being rejected and cancelled by the depot. b. Current stock number for subject item is 4710-00-081-0672 and is on hand in USPFO stock. Request you change stock number in TM (pen/ink) until new change is received.

602. NSN 2920-00-475-1446 GENERATOR ENGINE M110, M108, M109, M109A1. a. Subject NSN will be in a critical stock position about Mar 79 large number of requisitions since Jan 77 indicates a large number of unserviceable exist. b. Request unserviceables be returned for rebuild to BR4 and requisitions of subject NSN be limited to minimum number needed.

#### PART 7 -- SAFETY

701. CAMOUFLAGE PAINT - AGO BULLETIN 1 OCT 78. a. Camouflage Paint (Mil E-52798AME) does not contain hexamethylene diisocyanate (HMDI), therefore the requirement to use the type C Continuous-Flow Air-Supplied Respirator is not valid. Additionally medical surveillance as Indicated will not be required.

702. SURFACE MISHAPS. a. Listed below are several surface mishaps which occurred during FY 78. Supervisors and commanders should bring these mishaps to the attention of all personnel in an effort to avoid recurrence of similar mishaps. b. A general mechanic at MATES received a burn while working on the electrical system of an M106 when the tool he was using slipped and caught his wedding ring on the battery box. Four lost workdays resulted due to this mishap. c. A burn on the face occurred when a heavy mobile equipment mechanic took an unsafe position while performing maintenance and repair on an M88 retriever. The vehicle backfired in his face resulting in seven lost workdays. d. An M35A2 vehicle was being utilized by an aircraft maintenance team to provide compressed air in the performance of routine maintenance of UH-1 helicopter. Additionally, the vehicle was also used as a maintenance stand, which required the repositioning of the vehicle. Just prior to the accident, vehicle has been



repositioned and left parked in gear. As starter was engaged, the engine started and vehicle moved forward striking aft section of the aircraft. Property damage incurred was \$1,605.22.

703. WRONG AMMUNITION. a. Recently a serious accident occurred because a soldier fired the wrong ammunition (Type M74A1 Simulator, Projectile) from the M203 Grenade Launcher. In addition after the weapon failed to fire the wrong misfire procedure was used to clear the weapon, resulting in predetonation of the round. Only the ammunition listed in TM 7-1010-221-10, Operators Manual, 40mm Grenade Launcher, may be safely used in this weapon. Familiarity and compliance with the above reference would have averted this accident. It is imperative that measures be taken to prevent further misuse of both weapon and ammunition.

704. CARBON MONOXIDE TESTERS. a. The Safety Office has had several inquiries concerning the article on carbon monoxide which appeared in the last issue (May 78) of our Safety News Bulletin. Your interest in this hazard is rewarding. Too often a slight headache or nausea is overlooked. Hazard recognition is the ability to identify the hazard through knowledge and equipment and check or remove the hazard. CTA 50-900 authorizes equipment of this nature to be on hand in each state. It identifies the following items and where it should be utilized:

(1) Line Item #E-57351 Combustible Gas Indicator Set, Portable, Commercial - 1 per (CSMS)

(2) Line Item # G-04163 Detector Kit- Carbon Monoxide, Colorimetric per closed area where carbon monoxide fumes may create a hazard (OMS).

b. Funds are allocated each year for purchase of authorized equipment in the CTA's and if properly identified should be in the hands of the using units or facilities.

705. REELING MACHINE, RL-31(\*). a. The crank handle on the RL-31 is held on the axle on the RL-31 by a springloaded ball which seats in a detent in the axle. When new and/or in good condition this combination works well to hold the handle on the axle. However, when the ball retainer fills with sand or dirt, or when the spring loses its "push", or when the handle and/or axle wears to a sloppy fit, the handle can easily slide off of the axle while rewinding wire. During easy, low force winds this seldom happens. About 50% of the time, however, the RL-31 is used to pull short runs of wire from hard-to-pull areas (such as out of trees) and the operator must use considerable cranking force. Should the handle slip under these conditions, two types of accidents are possible: the operator falls or the lever arm portion of the handle spins on its handle hitting the operator. b. Hq CERCOM states that the design of the subject equipment will have to be tolerated, and the following "caution" notices observed:

(1) The crank and axle should be examined and declared unserviceable if there is excessive slippage of parts during cranking.



(2) The GC-4A CRANK HANDLE SHOULD BE REMOVED WHEN NOT IN USE.  
IT SHOULD BE USED ONLY FOR REELING-IN OPERATIONS.

c. This information will be printed in the EIR Digest (TB-43-001(\*)), the PS Magazine, and in a change to the Technical Manual.

#### PART 8 -- FACILITIES AND SECURITY

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#### PART 9 -- UNOFFICIAL

901. IF YOU MOBLIZE, WILL YOUR FAMILY BE O.K.? a. See Inclosure number 1.

902. MISSING FILM. a. Missing two reels of 8mm w/sound film from Missoula U.S. Basic Airborne Course. Last seen during OCS at FT Harrison. If you have knowledge of this please contact Major Read CAC Missoula, MT 549-8861 or 125-4952.

